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NEWS RELEASE

NEW BONNEVILLE COUNTY MAGISTRATE JUDGE ANNOUNCED

The Seventh Judicial District Magistrates Commission has selected Michelle Fay Mallard as the new Bonneville County Magistrate Judge. Effective January 3, 2012 Judge Mallard will fill the vacancy left by the Honorable Earl Blower.

The Magistrates Commission Chair, Administrative District Judge Jon J. Shindurling, announced the appointment. Judge Shindurling indicated that there were 10 highly qualified applicants and that both he and the Magistrates Commission were confident that the people of Bonneville County would be well served by the appointee.

Ms. Mallard attended University of Idaho receiving her Bachelor's in 1993 and completed her Law Degree in 1996 at the same University. She was a Law Clerk in Latah County for the Honorable John Bengston and the Honorable Ted Wood in Bonneville County. She was an associate attorney with Moffatt Thomas Law Firm. In May of 1997 she took a position with the Bonneville County Prosecutor's office as Deputy Prosecutor. In 2003 she joined the U.S. Attorney's office for Idaho as an Assistant U.S. Attorney.

Upon appointment, magistrates serve 18-month probation. After which, they stand for retention election in the county in which they are seated and, if retained, serve a term of four years.